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Application of: Mason et al.

Application No.: 09/536,552

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Examiner: To be assigned

For: IDENTIFICATION OF A NOVEL  
RETROVIRUS ASSOCIATED WITH  
PRIMARY SCLEROSING CHOLANGITIS  
AND AUTOIMMUNE HEPATITIS

Attorney Docket No.: 9926-003-999

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**  
**TRANSMITTAL OF DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated May 30, 2000, Applicants submit herewith an original Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application executed by the inventors, Andrew L. Mason, Lizhe Xu, and Linsheng Guo, on July 6, 2000, and a copy of the Notice of Missing Parts.

A fee of \$130.00 is due. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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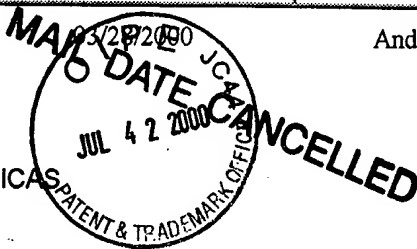
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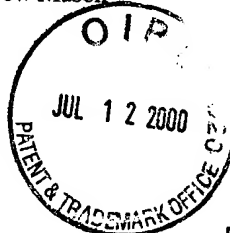
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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